

PUBLIC WORKS & PLANNING COMMITTEE

April 7, 2009

6:00 p.m.

Courthouse

MINUTES:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Commissioner Jim Daniel
Commissioner A. Johnson
Commissioner Mike Sparks
Commissioner Ronald Williams
Commissioner Joe F. Jernigan, C

OTHERS PRESENT:

Ernest Burgess David Jones
Del Corbitt Mike Williams
Kelly Beam Mac Nolen
Becky Shelton

Chairman Jernigan presided and called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with five members being present at that time.

MINUTES:

"Commissioner A. Johnson moved, seconded by Commissioner Daniel, to approve the minutes of the last meeting as mailed. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT AND BUDGET:

Mike Williams first presented proposed speed limit requests of 20 mph for Jamison Downs and Rockvale Meadows. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Sparks moved, seconded by Commissioner Williams, to approve the speed limit request of 20 mph for Jamison Downs and Rockvale Meadows. This motion passed by acclamation with Commissioner Johnson voting "no"."

Mr. Williams next presented one drainage easement in Royal Glen for consideration. Following discussion,

"Commissioner A. Johnson moved, seconded by Commissioner Daniel, to approve the drainage easement in Royal Glen as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

Mr. Williams next presented his proposed 09/10 budget advising it was \$314,927 less than the prior budget with six fewer positions. The department currently has 64 employees. Mayor Burgess advised it appears the revenue from the State will be appreciable reduced. Mr. Williams added it is projected his department will be \$500,000 in the red this year but has between \$6,000,000 and \$7,000,000 in ending fund balance. Highway Department revenues come from the wheel tax, mineral severance tax and gas tax. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Williams moved, seconded by Commissioner A. Johnson, to approve the 09/10 Highway Department budget as presented. This motion passed by roll call vote with Chairman Jernigan passing."

CONVENIENCE CENTERS REPORT AND LANDFILL REPORT:

Mac Nolen presented the Convenience Centers report and Landfill report for the use and information of the Committee. The Committee discussed the storm debris brought to the landfill by the City and the fee waived for said debris. Mr. Nolen next advised his department collects waste from the City schools at no charge. He has inquired what the charge would be from a private hauler and has been advised it would run \$7,300 to \$7,600 per month. Mr. Nolen did advise the City has agreed to provide mulch to solidify the paint at the Haley Road site in the recycling effort. Mayor Burgess advised he has

talked with the City about the school trash issue and has been told it was a gentleman's agreement and is part of the reason the City handles the leachate processing. Mayor Burgess advised he has been unable to find anything in writing to document the agreement. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Williams moved, seconded by Commissioner Sparks, to approve the Convenience Centers report and Landfill report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

The Committee next discussed whether an interlocal agreement should be drafted with the City of Murfreesboro to put the agreement on school trash collection and leachate processing in writing. Commissioner Williams suggested directing the County Mayor to discuss the trash collection at City schools and leachate processing with the City officials with a determination of any documents the City may have and if no documents are available, then have an agreement put in writing by the next school year. The Committee discussed the need to determine the cost of the leachate processing to know where the County stands. Following discussion,

"Commissioner A. Johnson moved, seconded by Commissioner Sparks, for the Public Works Committee to hold a workshop with the County Mayor, Mac Nolen, Murfreesboro School Director, Murfreesboro City Manager and department head at Murfreesboro Water & Sewer that handles the leachate processing with paperwork and documentation regarding trash pick up at the City schools and leachate processing to work towards a plan for the future. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

The Mayor's office will schedule the work session.

Commissioner Sparks requested the number of demolished homes that the tipping fee has been waived for.

Commissioner A. Johnson next advised he felt a workshop composed of the Committee, County Mayor and representatives from Smyrna, LaVergne and Eagleville should be held to address establishing special assessment districts in Smyrna, LaVergne and Eagleville for curbside trash pick up. Commissioner Williams questioned if this should be sent first to the Commission for authority to meet as the Public Works Committee may not have authority to meet. Commissioner Johnson advised the Committee has no agreement to propose at this time without a meeting with the entities. The options appear to be the municipalities proceed with curbside trash pick up or the County establishing special assessment districts. Mayor Burgess advised a third option was to keep doing what is being done now.

Mayor Burgess advised the first step may be to craft a letter and ask Smyrna and LaVergne if they are moving forward with curbside trash pick up or not and provide cost information and the procedures to do so. If they respond in the negative, the Committee can proceed at that time.

"Commissioner A. Johnson moved, seconded by Commissioner Williams, to direct the County Mayor to craft a letter to Smyrna and LaVergne asking if they are moving forward with curbside trash pick up and providing cost information, procedures and options including the County establishing special assessment districts and if the answer is no the Committee can proceed at that time. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

BUILDING CODES REPORT:

David Jones presented the Building Codes report for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner A. Johnson moved, seconded by Commissioner Daniel, to approve the Building Codes report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT:

Del Corbitt presented the Planning Commission report, subdivision lot inventory and Board of Zoning Appeals report for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Daniel moved, seconded by Commissioner A. Johnson, to approve the Planning Commission report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

There appearing to be no further business to come before the Committee, Chairman Jernigan declared the meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

JOE FRANK JERNIGAN, Chairman